

Remarks

Claims 1-13, 15 and 17 are pending in the application. Claims 1-9, 11, 12, 15 and 17 are withdrawn from consideration pursuant to a restriction requirement. Claims 10 and 13 are subject to examination and stand rejected. Reconsideration is requested in view of the above changes, and the following remarks.

Claims 10 and 13 were examined on the basis of the elected species of mutation G112R. Claims 10 and 13 were rejected as being allegedly anticipated by Takeshima (1985), Norder (1993), and Grethe (1998).

Claim 10 has been amended to cancel the elected species, and all other species of mutation, except for the species E164D. Editorial amendments of a minor nature have been made to claim 13.

The claims presented for examination, as amended, are believed to be patentable over the asserted prior art. An early allowance is earnestly solicited.

Respectfully submitted

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